



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

McGregor *et al.*

Appl. No.: 09/865,346

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For: **Nucleotide Compounds that Block
the Bitter Taste of Oral
Compositions**

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Examiner: Konata M. George

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**Petition to Withdraw from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)
For Consideration of a Request for Continued Examination**

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) that the above-captioned application be withdrawn from issue for consideration of the accompanying request for continued examination in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

It is believed that no extensions of time are necessary, other than those that are otherwise provided for herewith. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the above-captioned application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

This petition is accompanied by the required fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)). The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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Respectfully submitted,

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